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IAF PARTICIPATION IN COUNTER INSURGENCY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Air Force will hereafter have greater role inthe counter-insurgency operations synergising it with the army; and

(b) if so, to what extent the IAF participation in the counter-insurgency operations would be able to tackle the problem?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) The Indian Air Force (IAF) is playing a significant role in counter- insurgency operations and will continue to do so.

(b) Participation of IAF in counter-insurgency operations ensures effective andefficient deployment of military and para-military resources in the affected areas.